MINUTES OF THE HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

Room 30, House Building February 19, 2016

Members Present: Rep. Jack R. Draxler, Chair

Rep. Brad M. Daw, Vice Chair

Rep. Patrice M. Arent

Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck

Rep. Fred C. Cox Rep. Keith Grover Rep. Merrill F. Nelson Rep. Val L. Peterson Rep. Dean Sanpei

Members Absent: Rep. Lee B. Perry

Staff Present: Mr. Brian J. Bean, Policy Analyst

Ms. Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Chair Draxler called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Daw moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2016 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

H.B. 278 Candidate Financial Disclosure Amendments (Rep. Brad King)

Rep. King explained the bill with the assistance of Mr. Mark Thomas, Director of Elections, Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

MOTION: Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to pass the bill out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Peterson moved to send the bill to the Rules Committee with a recommendation that the bill be referred for interim study. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck voting in opposition and Rep. Arent absent for the vote.

H.J.R. 11 Joint Resolution Designating Utah as a Purple Heart State (Rep. F. Cox)

Rep. Schultz explained the resolution.

MOTION: Rep. Cox moved to pass the resolution out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Arent absent for the vote.

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MOTION: Rep. Peterson moved to place H.J.R. 11 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Arent absent for the vote.

S.B. 26 Election Notice Amendments (Sen. M. Dayton)

Sen. Dayton explained the bill with the assistance of Mr. Arie VanDeGraff, Utah Association of Counties.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Mark Thomas

MOTION: Rep. Grover moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Grover moved to place S.B. 26 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 334 Voting Revisions (Rep. B. Daw)

Rep. Daw explained the bill with the assistance of Ms. Katy Owens Hubler, Senior Policy Specialist and consultant, National Conference of State Legislatures.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Mark Thomas

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Andrew Riggle, Disability Law Center

Mr. Brian McKensie, Elections Manager, Davis County

MOTION: Rep. Peterson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Gover moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Draxler adjourned the meeting at 3:03 p.m.

Rep. Jack R. Draxler, Chair